

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

NAKAMURA, Keishi et al.

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For. **LOW RESISTANCE VALUE RESISTOR**

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2002, please amend the above identified application as set forth below:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 5, 13, and 19 without prejudice or disclaimer

Please amend the claims 1, 3, 7, 10, 12, 14-18 and 20 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A low resistance value resistor comprising:

a resistor body comprised by a resistive alloy;

at least two electrodes, comprised by metal strips of flat tetragonal shape having a high electrical conductivity, each of said metal strips having a same width with a width of said resistor body, and affixed on one surface of the resistor body separately wherein a diffusion layer is formed at an interface between the resistor body and the metal strip or in an interior of the resistor body under the metal strip; and

a straight and uniform current path formed in the resistor body between said at least